

AN ACT

RELATING TO MEDICAID; AUTHORIZING SERVICES TO SUPPORT
INDIVIDUALS WITH BRAIN INJURIES; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION;
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Public Assistance Act
is enacted to read:

"BRAIN INJURY--SERVICES AUTHORIZED.--Subject to the
availability of state funds and consistent with Title 19 of
the federal Social Security Act, the department shall provide
services to persons with brain injuries, with emphasis on
long-term disability services provided through home- and
community-based programs."

Section 2. APPROPRIATION.--Two million dollars
(\$2,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
aging and long-term services department for expenditure in
fiscal years 2005 and 2006, in cooperation with the human
services department, to provide services to persons with brain
injuries with emphasis on long-term disability services
provided through home- and community-based programs. Any
unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of
fiscal year 2006 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 3. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
peace, health and safety that this act take effect

immediately. _____